The Saskatchewan
Water Appeal Board

Annual Report
1985-86

Saskatchewan
Water Appeal Board

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Hon. Tim Embury
Minister
Saskatchewan Environment

Dear Mr. Embury:

I am pleased to present the annual report of The Water Appeal Board for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1986.

Respectfully submitted,

Clayton Marshall
Chairman

Chairman's Comments

The Saskatchewan Drainage Appeal Board was continued under the Water Appeal Board which was established under the Water Appeal Board Act (Bill No. 73 of 1983-84) and became law upon the proclamation of the Water Corporation Act on July 1, 1984. The Water Appeal Board came into force on July 1, 1984. We are a body corporate and receive funding in the form of a grant from the Consolidated Fund. The Board has full responsibility for its financial operations.

The purpose of the Water Appeal Board is to hear and determine appeals against decisions, orders and actions made by the Water Corporation with respect to drainage complaints and drainage permit applications. The Board received nineteen new appeals in the year 1985-86. A complete report on the appeals is found in Table No. 1.

Our Board's membership increased this year to include three new members, with one original Board Member resigning. We have retained the services of a secretary on a contractual basis, with our office located in the City of Regina. Independant legal services are obtained on a fee for service basis. The Board hears appeals in the cities of Regina and Saskatoon and held eight board meetings throughout the year. When necessary, the Board conducts site inspections.

The Board appreciates the co-operation it has received this past year from the administration staff of the Department of Environment and from the Saskatchewan Water Corporation.

C. L. Marshall

Clayton Marshall - Chairman

March 31st, 1986

Board Members

Chairman:	Clayton Marshall Somme, Saskatchewan
Vice-Chairman:	Robert Dorsch Weyburn, Saskatchewan
Member:	Paul Stankewich Canora, Saskatchewan
Member:	Gerald A. Fuller Regina, Saskatchewan
Member:	Elaine Morgan Gainsborough, Saskatchewan
Member:	Christine Wolfater Tompkins, Saskatchewan
Member:	Nick Kowerchuk Rabbit Lake, Saskatchewan

Table No. 1

Report on Appeals

File	Carried Fwd from 84-85	New 85-86	Heard 85-86	Decided 85-86	Carried Fwd to 86-87	Decision fwd 86-87	With drawn	Denied	Dept. Upheld	Decision Overturned
WAB-53-83	X						X			
WAB-108-84	X			X					X	
WAB-112-84 (a)	X		X			X				
WAB-112-84 (b)	X		X			X				
WAB-113-84	X		X			X				
WAB-117-84	X		X	X					X	
WAB-118-85		X	X	X					X	
WAB-119-85		X	X			X				
WAB-120-85		X					X			
WAB-121-85		X	X	X					X	
WAB-122-85 (a)		X	X			X				
WAB-122-85 (b)		X					X			
WAB-123-85		X	X			X				
WAB-124-85		X						X		
WAB-125-85		X	X	X					X	
WAB-126-85		X			X					
WAB-127-85		X	X			X				
WAB-128-85		X			X					
WAB-129-85		X			X					
WAB-130-85		X			X					
WAB-131-85		X			X					
WAB-132-85		X			X					
WAB-133-85		X			X					
WAB-134-85		X			X					
WAB-135-85		X			X					

Table No. 2 Summary of Appeals

Activity	1985-86
Appeals carried forward from 84-85	5
Decisions carried forward from 84-85	1
New Appeals 1985-86	19
Appeals heard - 1985-86	11
Appeals carried forward - 1986-87	9
Decisions carried forward - 1986-87	7
Decisions rendered - 1985-86	5
Appeals withdrawn	3
Appeals denied	1
Department Decisions affirmed	5
Department Decisions overturned	nil

Auditor's Report

To the Members of the Legislative Assembly
Province of Saskatchewan

I have examined the balance sheet of the Water Appeal Board as at March 31, 1986 and the statement of operating fund revenue, expenditure and accumulated surplus for the period then ended. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests and other procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Board as at March 31, 1986 and the results of its operations for the period then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles on a basis consistent with that of the preceding period.

W.G. Lutz, F.C.A.,
Provincial Auditor,

Regina, Saskatchewan,
May 9, 1986.

Water Appeal Board
Balance Sheet
As At March 31, 1986
Operating Fund

	1986	1985
Assets:		
Bank	$ -	$ 2,000
Investments	65,000	40,000
Accrued interest	1,585	300
Prepaid expenses	100	90
Due from Trust Fund	500	100
	$67,185	$42,490
Liabilities & Equity		
Liabilities:		
Bank Indebtedness	$3,409	$ -
Accounts payable	1,305	252
	4,714	252
Equity:		
Accumulated surplus	62,471	42,238
	$67,185	$42,490

Trust Fund		
Assets:		
Bank	$ 2,200	$ 700
Liabilities:		
Appellant fees (Note 1)	$ 1,700	$ 600
Due to Operating Fund	500	100
	$ 2,200	$ 700

(See accompanying notes)

Water Appeal Board
Operating Fund
Statement of Revenue, Expenditure and Accumulated Surplus

	For the year ended March 31, 1986	For the nine months ended March 31, 1986
Revenue:		
Government grant	$48,832	$63,648
Investment income	4,005	2,552
Appellant fees (Note 1)	500	100
Total Revenue	53,337	66,300
Expenditure:		
Honoraria	11,550	8,025
Secretarial services	6,885	3,193
Travel and sustenance	8,745	5,965
Telephone	1,007	633
Legal	1,969	4,716
Office (including postage, photocopying and supplies)	2,437	1,059
Miscellaneous	511	471
Total Expenditures	33,104	24,062
Excess of revenue over expenditure	20,233	42,238
Accumulated surplus, beginning of period	42,238	-
Accumulated surplus, end of period	$62,471	$42,238

(See accompanying notes)

Water Appeal Board
Notes to Financial Statements
March 31, 1986

1. Accounting Policies.

A. Grants from the Province of Saskatchewan

Under the authority of section 7 of **The Water Appeal Board Act,** the board receives grants out of moneys appropriated by the legislature for the purposes identified in that section from the Consolidated Fund of the Province.

Grants received from the Consolidated Fund are recorded as revenue when received.

B. Appellant Fees

Appellant fees are held in a trust account until the appeal has been heard and the decision rendered. Once the decision has been rendered by the Appeal Board, then the appellant fee is dealt with in one of two manners:

i) The fee is returned to the appellant if he/she has been successful in his/her appeal.

ii) The fee is retained by the Board and recorded as income if the appellant is not successful in his/her appeal.

2. Establishment of Board

The Water Appeal Board was established under **The Water Appeal Board Act** and became law upon the proclamation of **The Water Corporation Act** on May 25, 1984. **The Water Appeal Board Act** came into force on July 1, 1984.